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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6344**

**BILL NUMBER: SB 94**

**NOTE PREPARED: Jan 31, 2005**

**BILL AMENDED: Jan 13, 2005**

**SUBJECT:** Employment Absence for Volunteer Firefighters.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Lewis

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading - 1<sup>st</sup> House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**      **GENERAL**  
                                 **DEDICATED**  
                                 **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) This bill specifies that the absence of a political subdivision employee who is a volunteer firefighter responding to a fire or an emergency call is not a violation of the ghost employment statute and that the supervisor of the employee who has authorized the absence has not committed ghost employment. It also provides that a political subdivision employer is not required to pay salary or wages for the time the employee was absent.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2005.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** (Revised) Political subdivisions may elect to save expenses on salary or wages for those employees who are subject to this bill. The fiscal impact is dependent on local action.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** Political subdivisions.

**Information Sources:**

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